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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON AMERICAN FIRMS

1. ADDRESSEE POSTS ARE REQUESTED TO SUPPLY DEPARTMENT WITH FOLLOWING INFORMATION BY COB MAY 10 INSOFAR AS IT IS READILY OBTAINABLE OR AVAILABLE IN POST FILES:

A. LIST OF U.S. ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC MANUFACTURING FIRMS WHICH HAVE INVESTED IN OR BUILT LOCALLY FACTORIES FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONICS EQUIPMENT.

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- B. KINDS OF PRODUCTS MANUFACTURED IN THESE FACTORIES.
- C. NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES OF THE INDIVIDUAL FIRMS AND DIVISION BY SEX (ESTIMATE IF HARD DATA NOT READILY AVAILABLE).
- D. BRIEF DATA ABOUT EMPLOYMENT CONDITIONS WITH EMPHASIS

ON WAGES AND HOURS (ESTIMATE IF HARD DATA NOT READILY AVAILABLE).

2. THE DEPARTMENT WILL BE PROVIDING THIS INFORMATION

TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT OF THE AFL-CIO FOR HIS USE IN PREPARING FOR A CONFERENCE OF THE NORTH AMERICAN AFFILIATE OF THE IMF (INTERNATIONAL METAL WORKERS FEDERATION) TO BE HELD IN THE U.S. IN THE LATTER PART OF MAY. AROUND A DOZEN U.S. UNIONS REPRESENTING ABOUT TWO MILLION WORKERS WILL BE PARTICIPATING. AMONG OTHER THINGS THE CONFERENCE WILL BE STUDYING TRADE PROBLEMS AND POLICIES AND INTERNATIONAL LABOR STANDARDS. VANCE

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